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Dear Sir,

This 13 page communication is responsive to a Restriction Requirement mailed February 23, 2006.

Claims as originally filed begin on page 2 of the Applicants' Reply.

Remarks begin on page 12 of the Applicants' Reply.